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Mr. W. D. Southard
Division Engineer
Kennecott Minerals Company
P. O. Box 6500
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RE: Shaft for North
Off-chute Ore Body
Bingham Canyon Mine
ACT/035/002

Dear Mr. Southard:

It has come to the Division's attention that Kennecott Minerals Co. is proceeding with development of a shaft for the North Off-chute Ore Body at the Bingham Canyon Mine.

Even though underground mining is mentioned in the Bingham Canyon Mine Mining and Reclamation Plan as one of the possible methods to be used during the life of the operation, Kennecott Minerals Co., must still notify the Division prior to initiating any new action.

Please submit the following information as an amendment to the present mining and reclamation plan for Division review.

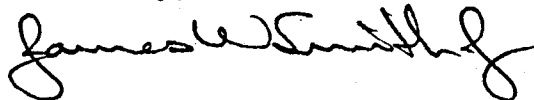
1. Detailed map showing shaft and headframe location, as well as any additionally new support facilities.
2. Affirmation as to the location of the deposition of waste rock and low-grade ore.
3. Information pertaining to the diameter and depth of the shaft.
4. Discussion of any hydrologic impact as a result of shaft development.
5. Narrative discussing scope of the new operation, including impacts, and mitigative measures.

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Also, please be reminded that any information pertaining to the location, size or nature of the ore deposit may be maintained as confidential, if so requested by the operator.

The Division would appreciate a rapid response regarding this matter. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call either myself or Ron Daniels.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James W. Smith, Jr.", written in dark ink.

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
COORDINATOR OF MINED
LAND DEVELOPMENT

JWS/btm